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Georgia EPD Laboratory Policy on Expiration Dates

For Standards, Solid and Liquid Chemicals*

Access to this SOP shall be available within the laboratory for reference purposes; the official copy of this SOP resides on the official Georgia EPD website at <https://epd.georgia.gov/about-us/epd-laboratory-operations>. Printed copies of this SOP will contain a watermark indicating the copy is an uncontrolled copy.

***Applies only when original container/bottle/Certificate of Analysis does not list an expiration date.**

Standards	6 months from opening for Organic & GC/MS Standards 1 year from opening for Inorganic, Metal and Micro Standards	Unless specified differently in individual method SOPs
Solid Chemicals	If unopened 5 years from receipt date	When opened 2 years from date opened Or 5 years from receipt date whichever is sooner
Liquid Chemicals	If unopened 3 years from receipt date	When opened 2 years from date opened Or 3 years from receipt date whichever is sooner

Note: When a liquid reagent or chemical preservative is made from a solid chemical (Ex. 6N NaOH), the expiration date of the liquid reagent is 2 years from the day made.